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\*Greece: The Paraskevopoulos government could fall today over a disputed amendment to a proposed electoral law.

During parliamentary debate yesterday on the draft law to administer the May elections, ex-premier George Papandreou's Center Union (EK) party offered an amendment which would grant immunity from arrest to all election candidates. The amendment is obviously intended to cover Papandreou's son Andreas, whose future parliamentary immunity is at issue as a result of his alleged role in the "Aspida" anti-palace--and pro-EK--conspiracy. The Justice Ministry had earlier requested that Andreas' immunity be lifted. Although this request was not expected to carry in parliament, the EK may fear that the government might attempt some other action against Andreas during the period between the dissolution of parliament and the elections.

Both the government and the conservative National Radical Union (ERE) oppose the amendment, but the EK has threatened to withdraw its support from the government if parliament refuses to vote on the proposal.

Both Premier Paraskevopoulos and ERE leader Kanellopoulos last night issued statements confirming that a government crisis now exists, and the US Embassy in Athens feels that the prospects for resolution of the dispute are dim.

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Dominican Republic: The recent attack on General Imbert, one of Trujillo's assassins, continues to pose problems for President Balaguer.

A new police chief has been named, partially in response to charges by Minister of Interior and Police Amiama that "unjustifiable errors" had been committed by the police in their search for the gunmen who tried to kill Imbert.

The reason for the selection of General Soto as the new police chief is unclear. His appointment appears certain to draw widespread criticism. Soto has demonstrated a predilection for strong-arm tactics and is suspected of involvement in the excesses of the Trujillo era.

The attack on Imbert appears to have intensified hostility between elements of the anti-Trujillo right, such as Amiama, and "trujillista" palace advisers who have played an influential role in administrative, intelligence, and security affairs. Unless the fears and suspicions arising out of the case are satisfactorily laid to rest, Balaguer may be forced to choose between these two factions.

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Uruguay: Security preparations for the inter-American summit meeting in Uruguay next month are proceeding satisfactorily.

The month-old Gestido administration has taken extensive precautions in the vicinity of the Punta del Este meeting site and appears confident of preventing any major disruptions. Police and military forces are cooperating to seal off the area while the presidents are there from 12 to 14 April.

The Communists have mounted a propaganda campaign aimed at having the conference canceled or postponed. Failing that, they hope to disrupt the meeting by organizing mass demonstrations and a general strike.

Their success will probably be greatest in Montevideo, 70 miles from the conference site, where they have the best opportunity to exploit discontent with deteriorating economic conditions. Communist plans are unlikely to gain support from most Uruguayans, who are proud that the conference is being held in their country.

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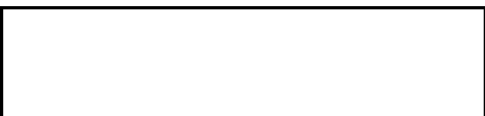
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